

**SEMINOLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT
AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

SUBJECT: Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - Certificate of Participation

DEPARTMENT: Fiscal Services

DIVISION: Administration - Fiscal Services

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MOTION/RECOMMENDATION:

Approve to continue participation in the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program and authorize the Chairman to execute the Certificate of Participation naming Michele Saunders, Director of the Community Services Department, to coordinate the countywide application.

County-wide

Jennifer Bero

BACKGROUND:

Since 1990, the Seminole County Board of County Commissioners has accepted an invitation to participate in the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. During this period approximately \$51,996,642 in federal funds has been provided for a variety of projects. Seminole County was notified that \$984,151 of federal funds is allocated for use by all units of government within Seminole County.

A condition of participation in this program is that all units of government in the county reach a consensus concerning expenditures of these funds, including the projects to be implemented and the agency responsible for such implementation. Completion of the attached "Certificate of Participation" will allow for participation pending final approval by the Board of County Commissioners of all grant project proposals.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board approve to continue participation in the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program and authorize the Chairman to execute the Certificate of Participation naming Michele Saunders, Director of the Community Services Department, to coordinate the applications.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Letter of Participation
2. Participation Form
3. Project Summary

Additionally Reviewed By: No additional reviews



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Law Enforcement

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April 15, 2009

The Honorable Bob Dallari
Chairman, Seminole County
Board of Commissioners
1101 East First Street
Sanford, Florida 32771

Re: Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program – American
Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 – State Solicitation

Dear Chairman Dallari:

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) anticipates an award from the United States Department of Justice as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. FDLE will distribute these funds in accordance with the JAG Countywide distribution provisions of Chapter 11D-9, Florida Administrative Code. These funds are in addition to the standard 2009 JAG Countywide allocation that, when known, will be announced in a separate letter.

FDLE has set aside \$984,151 for use by all units of government within Seminole County. The enclosed Program Announcement provides an overview of these funds which can be used by local units of government to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and to improve the criminal justice system. **Please note that the Program Announcement also includes some important program requirements specific to Recovery Act funds.**

As a condition of participation in this program, the units of government in each county must reach a consensus concerning the expenditure of these funds. This consensus must include the projects to be implemented as well as the agency responsible for such implementation.

Developing such consensus will require someone to exercise leadership and assume a coordinating role in the development of applications for these funds. FDLE recommends that the Board of County Commissioners assume this responsibility.

In the event the county declines to serve in this capacity, the Department will request the governing body of each municipality in the county, in descending order of population, to serve as the coordinating unit of government.


The Honorable Bob Dallari
April 15, 2009
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The enclosed Certificate of Participation form requests the identification of an individual coordinator. We will send this individual further information regarding the application process in FDLE's on-line grant management system. Please complete the enclosed Certificate of Participation and return it within 30 days from the date of this correspondence to:

Florida Department of Law Enforcement
Office of Criminal Justice Grants
2331 Phillips Road
Tallahassee, Florida 32308
Attention: Clayton H. Wilder, Administrator

We look forward to working with you. If you have any questions or if we can provide you with any assistance regarding the JAG Program, please contact me at (850) 617-1250.

Sincerely,


Clayton H. Wilder
Administrator

CHW/JP/lg

Enclosures

cc: Mayors in Seminole County
Law Enforcement Agencies in Seminole County
Project Directors in Seminole County

CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

**Edward Byrne Memorial
Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009**

Date: _____

Mr. Clayton H. Wilder
Administrator
Office of Criminal Justice Grants
Florida Department of Law Enforcement
2331 Phillips Road
Tallahassee, Florida 32308

Dear Mr. Wilder:

This is to inform you that the Board of County Commissioners Accepts ____
Declines ____ the invitation to serve as the coordinating unit of government in the Florida
Department of Law Enforcement's Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant
(JAG) Program – American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

For purposes of coordinating the preparation of our application(s) for grant funds with
the Office of Criminal Justice Grants, we have designated the following person:

Name: _____

Title: _____

E-mail address: _____

Agency: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ County: _____

Date: _____

Sincerely,

Chair, Board of County Commissioners

2009-2010 Byrne Grant Project Summary (\$984,151)

RIFLES FOR PATROL

\$109,350

The City of Altamonte Springs will allocate their monies to purchase long rifles and accessories (i.e., slings, ammunition, scopes, etc) along with replacement laptops for the police patrol vehicles. This project is approved under the Law enforcement program which is one of the seven federally approved program areas.

CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATE SPECIFICALLY, BUILDING SECURITY SYSTEM

\$109,350

The City of Lake Mary will upgrade their current Radionics/Simplex facility security system in the Police department building. An additional radio position in the communications center is needed due to the increased call and radio volume. The grant funding will be supplemented by the City Impact Fee funds if necessary to meet the financial goals. This project is approved under the Law enforcement program which is one of the seven federally approved program areas.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR YOUTH WITH TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENTS

\$109,350

The City of Winter Springs will provide law enforcement educational programs for children (DARE/GREAT, etc.) and for their Community Youth Organization (CYO) which provides positive alternatives for children during summer break. The technology improvements will provide Night Vision Goggles and a license plate recognition unit system for the Police department's tactical team. This project is approved under the prevention and education programs which is one of the seven federally approved program areas.

MOBILE COMMAND POST PROJECT

\$109,350

The City of Oviedo will purchase a Mobile Command Post vehicle for the Police department that will provide multitude of uses, ranging from major crime scenes investigations to monitoring crowds, and processing of multiple arrests serving as a mobile precinct. This project is approved under the Law enforcement program which is one of the seven federally approved program areas.

POLICE PATROL VEHICLES

\$109,350

The City of Casselberry will purchase police patrol vehicles. This project is approved under the Law enforcement program which is one of the seven federally approved program areas.

SUPPLEMENT EQUIPMENT FOR EXISTING DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS

\$109,350

The City of Longwood will update and augment existing police patrol, traffic, and criminal investigation related equipment. The items will be used to prevent and control criminal activity. This project is approved under the Law enforcement program which is one of the seven federally approved program areas.

SEMINOLE COUNTY JUVENILE ASSESSMENT CENTER TRUANCY INTERDICTION PROJECT

\$109,350

The Seminole County Sheriff's office will provide two staff members to enhance the current services to assist with the supervision of youth while in the JAC STAY facility and enhance the current service to include home visits, counseling and follow up. This project is approved under the Law enforcement program which is one of the seven federally approved program areas.

SUPPORT EQUIPMENT FOR POLICE OFFICERS PROJECT

\$109,350

The City of Sanford will procure equipment in support of the ten police officers that have applied under the Department of Justice's COPS grant program. This project is approved under the Law enforcement and Prevention and education programs which are one of the seven federally approved program areas.

LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION PROJECT

\$109,350

The Sanford Airport Authority will purchase image -processing technology used to identify vehicles by their license plates. This technology is used in various security and traffic applications. This project is approved under the Law enforcement program which is one of the seven federally approved program areas.